No one follows Separation of Powers! According to the Constitution, the Executive branch of government submits a Budget to the Legislative branch and the Legislators approve or defeat any part of the Budget! Then the Judicial branch must interpret the Constitution to see if it was proper!

We had a politician in the executive branch of our Township government spending money without getting approval from the legislative branch

! Then no one stopped all this violation of the Constitution!

The Founding Fathers gave the separation of powers Articles 1, 2 &3 to keep the powers in the hands of those that the people can control when they vote. However too many people pay no attention to what goes on in government! I have had people tell me, they are all crooks! I would reply, then that crook has your signature on a blank check, and he will fill in the amount!

The problem is that people do not know all the protection the Constitution offers them to protect all the people now and our children and grandchildren in the future!

Even all those people that were kept as slaves in the beginning, Abraham Lincoln knew this was wrong! That was the reason he fought the South in the Civil War! In his Gettysburg Address he said..."Our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal,"

He then added, "We have a new birth of freedom; and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth." He was telling everyone what the Constitution was supposed to do; in addition he was justifying the Civil war to stop slavery!

Today, not many people know the Constitution, so we are in danger of people not following it and losing our rights and becoming either a Fascist or Socialist government.

The New Jersey state Board of Education does not require schools to teach the Constitution. Therefore, I recently spoke in front of the NJ BOE to ask that it require every school in New Jersey to teach the Constitution, starting with the lower grades — an Article at a time. Then, when they get to the upper grades, the students can get more involved, so that when they graduate, they will be around 18 years old and they can register to vote. They will be more knowledgeable about voting than any one was when they first voted at 18.

I received a letter from the NJ BOE telling me that they do teach the Constitution in the Social Studies class!

I am active from time to time in the Hamilton School Board meetings and I know they do not teach it! However, they do discuss some of it in the GALYRE class in Hamilton! I even spoke 2 separate times in their class!

I spoke at the Hamilton School Board, after my talking to the NJBOE, and the Hamilton Board said let us know what the decision of the NJBOE is! They felt it would be a good idea! So, they just discuss some of it but not fully inform the students as I and others believe they should!

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